

1 **HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 108**

2 (By Delegates By Delegates Morgan, Stephens, Cann, Butcher,
3 Ferns, Givens, Hall, Hartman, Hatfield, Jones, Martin, Phillips,
4 R., Staggers, Swartzmiller, Talbott, Azinger, Howell, Kump,
5 O'Neal, Nelson, Romine and Storch)
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7 (Originating in the Committee on Government Organization;
8 February 25, 2011)
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10 Requesting that the Joint Committee on Government and Finance
11 authorize a study of the law governing the West Virginia
12 Racing Commission.

13 WHEREAS, The Commission regulates the industry of racing in
14 this state, providing entertainment and a reliable source of
15 revenue for the state; and

16 WHEREAS, The Legislature is committed to periodically
17 evaluating the various programs and regulations of state agencies
18 to ensure they are appropriate, clear and meet the policy
19 objectives of the governing statutes; and

20 WHEREAS, Competitive racing in this state provides employment,
21 revenue and entertainment and the industry is competitive among the
22 states where nuances in regulatory structures among the states
23 could provide advantages or disadvantages to racing interests in
24 this state; and

25 WHEREAS, The statute governing the West Virginia Racing
26 Commission should be reviewed to consider any appropriate and

1 necessary revisions to the laws and rules governing this industry;
2 therefore, be it

3 *Resolved by the Legislature of West Virginia:*

4 That the Joint Committee on Government and Finance is hereby
5 requested to authorize a study of the law governing the West
6 Virginia Racing Commission; and be it

7 *Further Resolved,* That the Joint Committee on Government and
8 Finance report to the Regular Session of the Legislature, 2012, on
9 its findings, conclusions and recommendations, together with drafts
10 of any legislation necessary to effectuate its recommendations and,
11 be it

12 *Further Resolved,* That the Legislative expenses necessary to
13 conduct this study, to prepare a report and to draft necessary
14 legislation be paid from legislative appropriations to the Joint
15 Committee on Government and Finance.